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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2823  
PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

TAKITA, et al.

Art Unit: 2823

Application No.: 09/046,671

Examiner: K. EATON

Filed: March 24, 1998

Attorney Dkt. No.: 108077-08003

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD FOR FABRICATING THE SAME

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

May 13, 2002

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated February 13, 2002, please consider the following remarks:

**REMARKS**

The Office Action dated February 12, 2002 has been received and carefully noted. The following remarks are submitted as a full and complete response thereto. Claims 1-7 are pending in this application and are submitted for reconsideration.